GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Services – Water Resources Department – Vigilance and enforcement report – Allegations of irregularities in execution of substandard work in HNSS Package No.34 in Anantapur district – Disciplinary action initiated against Sri S.Lakshma Naik, Executive Engineer and six (6) others – Separation of the disciplinary case in respect of Pendekallu Balancing Reservoir – Appointment of Sri A.Sudhakar, Chief Engineer, NTR TGP, Tirupati as Inquiring Authority – Orders – Issued.

WATER RESOURCES (VIG.II (V&E)A1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 327 Dated: 05-05-2016

Read the following:-

1) From the Director General (Vig.Enft.) & E.O. Prl. Secy.to Govt., G.A.D. Vigilance Report No.63(866/V&E/E1/2010), dated 05.06.2013.
2) G.O.Rt.Nos. 457 to 464, I&CAD (Ser.VII (V&E.1) Dept, dated 14.08.2014.
3) From Sri M.Srinivasa Reddy, DEE, written statement of defence letter 25.10.2014.
4) From Sri S.Murali, DEE, written statement of defence leter No.SM/PABR-II-PBR/P/32/V&E/2014-15/01, dated 25.10.2014.
5) From Sri P.Gangaiah, EE written statement of defence letter No.PG/PABR-II-PBR/P/32/V&E/2014-15/01, dated 18.10.2014.
6) From Sri B.Madhusudhan Reddy, DEE written statement of defence letter No.BMR/PABR-II/PBR/P/32/V&E/2014-15/01, dated 18.10.2014.
7) From Sri P.Sarath Kumar, DEE written statement of defence written statement of defence letter dated PSK/PABR-II-PBR/P/32/V&E/2014-15/01, dated 19.10.2014.
8) From Sri B.Madhusudhan Reddy, DEE, Sri S.Murali, DEE, Sri P.Sarath Kumar, DEE, Sri M.Srinivasa Reddy, EE and Sri P.Gangaiah, EE common representation dated NIL received on 30.01.2016.

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ORDER:-

In the reference 1st read above, it has been brought to the notice of the Government about the Allegations of irregularities in execution of substandard work in HNSS Package No.34 in Anantapur district etc.

2. In the references 2nd read above, articles of charges were issued to the following six (6) charged officers with a direction to submit their written statements of defence:-

Sl.No.	Name and Designation of the Officer
1.	Sri S.Lakshma Naik, E.E.
2.	Sri M.Naga Raju, A.E.E.,
3.	Sri M.Srinivasulu Reddy, D.E.E., now EE
4.	Sri S.Murali, Dy.E.E
5.	Sri P.Gangaiah, E.E.,
6	Sri B.Madhusudhan Reddy, DEE
7	Sri P.Sarath Kumar, DEE

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3. In response, all the charged officers have submitted their written statements of defence in the references 3rd to 8th read above, except Sri S.Lakshma Naik, Executive Engineer. Hence, the Engineer-in-Chief (AW) was requested to furnish inter alia the dated acknowledgement in token of receiving the articles of charges issued to Sri S.Lakshma Naik, Executive Engineer vide Govt. Memo No.16323/Vig.II(V&E)A1/2013-5, dated 26.02.2015 and reminded subsequently, however the same is still awaited.

4. In the meanwhile, Sri B.Madhusudhan Reddy, DEE and (4) others have submitted a representation in the reference 7th read above stating that the General Administration A (V&E) Department have submitted their report on the following two works, which are different and distinct to each other :-

Work (1): Investigation, Preparation of H.Ps., Designs, Drawing and excavation of main canal from KM 192.00 to KM 210.00 including CM & CD works and to create irrigation potential to an extent of 17,300 acres under Kharif (ID)(under HNSS Package – 34.

Work (2) : Formation of earthen Dam from KM 0.0 to KM 1.800 of Pendekallu Balancing Reservoir (Phase-I).

5. They were involved in the Work (2) i.e. Pendakallu Balancing Reservoir, but not the HNSS Package-34. They have further stated that they have submitted their written statements of defence during the months of October and December 2014 requesting to exonerate them .and no information is received and this delay is causing them personally with regard to release of annual grade increments and promotional avenues.

6. Therefore, they have requested to separate the issue pertaining the work Pendekallu Balancing Reservoir for which articles of charges were issued to them and continue further processing duly delinking the issue with the irregularities pertaining HNSS Package-34 as both the works are different and distinct.

7. After careful examination of the entire issue, Government have decided and accordingly hereby separate the issue of Pendekallu Balancing Reservoir (PABR) works to avoid further delay in finalizing the disciplinary proceedings initiated against the following five (5) charged officers :-

(1) Sri B.Madhusudhan Reddy, DEE,
(2) Sri S.Murali, DEE,
(3) Sri P.Sarath Kumar, DEE,
(4) Sri M.Srinivasa Reddy, EE and
(5) Sri P.Gangaiah, EE

8. During examination of the written statements of defence of Sri S.Murali, the then AEE and Sri P.Sarath Kumar, the then AEE, a discrepancy was noticed about their incumbencies and the works and the same has been clarified by the Chief Engineer (P), Ananthapuramu in his letter No.CE (P)/ ATP/V-4/Vol.9/424 ENC, dated 31.10.2015.

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9. Whereas, an enquiry under Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 is being held against the following five (5) charged officers involved in Pendekallu Balancing Reservoir:-

(1) Sri B.Madhusudhan Reddy, DEE,
(2) Sri S.Murali, DEE,
(3) Sri P.Sarath Kumar, DEE,
(4) Sri M.Srinivasa Reddy, EE and
(5) Sri P.Gangaiah, EE

10. And whereas, it is considered that an Inquiring Authority should be appointed to inquire into the charges framed against the above said five (5) charged officers.

11. Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by Sub-rule (2) of Rule 20 of the said rules, the disciplinary Authority hereby appoints Sri A.Sudhakar, Chief Engineer, NTR TGP, Tirupathi as the Inquiring Authority to inquire into the charges framed against the above said five (5) charged officers.

12. Copies of reports, charge memoranda and Written Statements of Defence submitted by the Charged Officers are forwarded herewith to the Inquiring Authority. The Presenting Officer will produce other original documents relating to the case before the Inquiring Authority. The Inquiring Authority is requested to complete the enquiry and submit his report within two months in the prescribed proforma, as per the orders issued in G.O.Ms.No.679, G.A. (Ser.C) Department, dated 01.11.2008 and Circular Memo No.56183/Ser.C/99, G.A. (Ser.C) Department, dated 15.10.1999.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ADITYA NATH DAS
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To
The individuals **through** the Engineer-in-Chief (AW), Water Resources Department, Hyderabad.
Sri A.Sudhakar, Chief Engineer, NTR TGP, Tirupati and the Inquiring Authority (w.e).
Copy to:-
The Engineer-in-Chief (AW), Water Resources Department, Hyderabad for information, and with a request to submit the dated acknowledgement of the Charged Officers to Government without any delay.
SF/SC.

//FORWARDED:: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER.